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SUBJECT: IMCO: COUNCIL AND MSC EXPANSION: SP-VIENNA

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1. US POSITION ON EXPANSION OF IMCO COUNCIL AND MSC
AS SET FORTH IN REFDEPTEL PRESENTED TO PASTOR, DIRECTOR
OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME AND AVIATION COOPERATION IN
FOREIGN MINISTRY.
2. PASTOR'S RESPONSE WAS ONE OF AGREEMENT WITH USG
POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE COUNCIL AND A MORE LIBERAL
STANCE WITH RESPECT TO THE MSC. HE TOLD AN EMBOFF THAT
HIS GOVERNMENT FAVORED THE CONTINUATION OF THE PRESENT
NUMBER OF THE COUNCIL OR AT LEAST A VERY SMALL INCREASE.
3. CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF CATEGORIES (REFTEL PARA 2)
HE EXPLAINED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT PREFERRED THAT THE
THREE CATEGORIES NOW CONSTITUTED CONTINUE. HOWEVER, IN
THE EVENT THAT IT WOULD BE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO
ALTER THAT NUMBER, HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD INSIST THAT
THE FIRST (A) REMAIN UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, GIVE
SECOND PRIORITY TO THE THIRD (C) AND TO THE SECOND (B).

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4. CONCERNING THE MSC, PASTOR SAID THAT THE SPANISH

DELEGATION'S PRESENTATION OF ITS GOVERNMENT'S POSITION
AT THE NOV. MEETING IN LONDON REMAINED ESSENTIALLY
UNCHANGED. THAT IS, THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT WAS DISPOSED
TO ADMIT OPEN MEMBERSHIP TO THIS COMMITTEE, WHICH HE SAID
MEANT THAT SPAIN FAVORED THE ADMISSION THEREON OF JUST
ABOUT ANY COUNTRY WHICH CARED TO JOIN.

5. ON THE OTHER HAND, PASTOR CAREFULLY WARNED EMBOFF
THAT POSITION HAD SOME FLEXIBILITY AND MIGHT BE CHANGED
AT FEB. 1 MEETING BETWEEN SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND
SUBSECRETARIAT OF MERCHANT MARINE IN COMMERCE MINISTRY,
OR AT THE LONDON MEETINGS.
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